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Northallerton

Rural District Council

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Medical Officer of Health

AND

Public Health Inspector

FOR THE YEAR

1968



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H. DIGGLES, M.B., CH.B., D.P.H.

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H. TEMPLEMAN, C.S.I.B., CERT. (Meat and other Foods).

Deputy Surveyor and

Additional Public Health Inspector :

A. N. Errington, C.S.I.B., Cert, (Meat and other Foods).

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NORTHALLERTON RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH
FOR THE YEAR 1968**

To the Chairman and Members of the Northallerton Rural District Council :

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen.

I have pleasure in submitting my Annual Report on the health of the district for the year 1968.

In 1968 the state of Public Health in the Northallerton Rural District was very satisfactory. The vital statistics compare very favourably with those for England and Wales and do not call for any special comment.

Schemes of sewerage and sewage disposal for the remaining villages throughout the area are now in an advanced state of preparation and succeeding years should see individual schemes well under way.

In conclusion, I should like to express my appreciation to the Members and Officials of the Council for the help and support I have received from them during the year.

I am,
Your obedient servant,
HARRY DIGGLES,
Medical Officer of Health.

SECTION A.

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA.

(a) General Statistics.

| | | | | |
|--|----|----|----------|--------|
| Area (in acres) | .. | .. | .. | 63,512 |
| Population (Registrar-General's Estimate of Resident Population in mid-year 1968) | .. | .. | 9,510 | |
| Population (1951 census) | .. | .. | 8,484 | |
| Population (1961 census) | .. | .. | 8,610 | |
| Number of inhabited houses (1951) | .. | .. | 2,458 | |
| Number of inhabited houses (1968) | .. | .. | 3,614 | |
| Rateable value of district (April, 1969) | .. | | £276,624 | |
| Product of 1d. Rate (31st March, 1969) | .. | | £1,140 | |

(b) Vital Statistics (As supplied by Registrar General).

| | | MALES | | | FEMALES | | |
|----------------|----|-------|--------|----------|---------|--------|----------|
| | | Total | Legit. | Illegit. | Total | Legit. | Illegit. |
| LIVE BIRTHS | .. | 83 | 80 | 3 | 91 | 87 | 4 |
| STILL BIRTHS | .. | 1 | 1 | — | — | — | — |
| INFANT DEATHS— | | | | | | | |
| Under 1 year | .. | — | — | — | 1 | 1 | — |
| Under 4 weeks | .. | — | — | — | 1 | 1 | — |
| Under 1 week | .. | — | — | — | 1 | 1 | — |

CLASSIFIED CAUSES OF DEATH.

| Causes of Death | Male | Female | Total |
|--|------|--------|-------|
| Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach .. | 1 | — | 1 |
| do Lung, Bronchus | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| do Breast .. | — | 3 | 3 |
| Other Malignant Neoplasms etc. .. | 10 | 4 | 14 |
| Leukaemia | — | 1 | 1 |
| Diabetes Mellitus | 1 | — | 1 |
| Mental Disorders | 1 | — | 1 |
| Ischaemic Heart Disease | 12 | 11 | 23 |
| Other forms of Heart Disease .. | 4 | 6 | 10 |
| Pneumonia | 5 | 9 | 14 |
| Bronchitis and Emphysema .. | 3 | 2 | 5 |
| Influenza | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Cirrhosis of Liver | — | 1 | 1 |
| Congenital Anomalies | — | 2 | 2 |
| Nephritis and Nephrosis | 1 | — | 1 |
| Intestinal Obstruction and Hernia .. | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Other Diseases of Digestive System .. | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Other Infective and Parasitic Disease .. | — | 1 | 1 |
| Cerebrovascular Disease | 6 | 15 | 21 |
| Other Diseases of Circulatory System.. | — | 8 | 8 |
| Other Diseases of Respiratory System.. | — | 1 | 1 |
| Motor Vehicle Accidents | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| All other Accidents | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| All other External Causes | — | 1 | 1 |
| Total (All Causes) | 52 | 72 | 124 |

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948.

It was not necessary to take action under the 1951 Amendment of Section 47 of the above Act which gives the Council power to remove to suitable premises persons who are not able to devote to themselves, and are not receiving from other persons, adequate care and attention.

SECTION B.**GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES IN THE AREA.**

The details of the staff are given at the beginning of the report.

Laboratories Facilities.

Laboratories facilities are provided at the Public Health Laboratory, The Friarage Hospital, Northallerton.

Ambulance Facilities.

The North Riding of Yorkshire County Council supply ambulance services from their station in Brompton Road, Northallerton.

Hospital Facilities.

Local Hospital accommodation is provided in the area by the Northallerton Hospital Management Committee of the Newcastle Regional Hospital Board.

In addition a considerable number of residents in the area are treated in Darlington and Middlesbrough hospitals.

Nursing in the Homes.

The Home Nursing and Domiciliary Midwifery Service is under the general direction of the County Council with day to day administration dealt with by the Area Medical Officer. The Staff operating in the Northallerton Rural District comprises five District Nurse/Midwives and one health visitor.

Home Help Service.

This is provided by the County Council, the day to day administration again being dealt with by the Area Medical Officer.

SECTION C.**SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES.****Water Supplies.**

Details are to be found in the Public Health Inspector's Section.

Sewerage and Sewage Disposal.

Details are to be found in the Public Health Inspector's Section.

Refuse Collection and Disposal.

Details are to be found in the Public Health Inspector's Section.

SECTION D.**Housing.**

Work commenced on 31 bungalows and flats at Romanby.

Of the unfit houses in the district, 10 were either demolished, closed or converted to uses other than housing.

Details of houses improved are to be found in the Public Health Inspector's Section.

SECTION E.**MEAT AND OTHER FOODS.**

Details are to be found in the Public Health Inspector's Section.

SECTION F.
PREVALENCE AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

| Infectious diseases notified | Males | Females | Total |
|------------------------------|-------|---------|-------|
| Pulmonary Tuberculosis | 1 | — | 1 |
| Measles | 30 | 38 | 68 |
| Acute Meningitis | 1 | — | 1 |

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR for the year 1968.

To the Chairman and Members of the Northallerton Rural District Council.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I beg to submit my Report for the year 1968.

General Sanitary Work.

490 inspections and 476 reinspections of premises were made under the Public Health and Housing Acts. 173 Informal Notices were served upon the owner/occupier of premises in respect of nuisances occurring thereon.

8 Statutory Notices were served.

Analysis of Inspections, 1968.

| | |
|---|-------|
| Under Public Health and Housing Acts | 490 |
| Inspection of Council Houses | 863 |
| Tents, Vans and Sheds | 10 |
| Verminous Premises | 2 |
| <hr/> | |
| Total Inspections of Housing Conditions | 1,365 |
| <hr/> | |
| Private Slaughterhouses | 212 |
| Bakehouses | 3 |
| Milk Retailers | 0 |
| Ice Cream Sellers | 11 |
| Fried Fish Shops | 9 |
| Food Preparing Rooms | 8 |
| Food Premises | 30 |
| <hr/> | |
| Total Inspections with regard to Food | 273 |
| <hr/> | |

| | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|----|----|----|----|-------|
| Investigations of Complaints | .. | .. | .. | .. | 485 |
| Drain Tests | .. | .. | .. | .. | 192 |
| Rat Inspections | .. | .. | .. | .. | 811 |
| Factories and Workshops | .. | .. | .. | .. | 15 |
| Water Supplies | .. | .. | .. | .. | 7 |
| Water Samples (Bact.) | .. | .. | .. | .. | 2 |
| „ (Chem.) | .. | .. | .. | .. | 0 |
| Rivers and Streams | .. | .. | .. | .. | 26 |
| Building Construction Inspections | .. | .. | .. | .. | 684 |
| Sewage Works Inspections | .. | .. | .. | .. | 211 |
| Refuse Tip Inspections | .. | .. | .. | .. | 85 |
| Total of other Inspections | | | | | 2,518 |
| Grand total of Inspections | | | | | 4,156 |

Summary of Sanitary Improvements. 1968.

| | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|----|----|----|----|----|
| Repairs to Roofs | .. | .. | .. | .. | 26 |
| „ „ Walls, Pointing, etc. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 31 |
| „ „ Fallpipes and Eaves gutters | .. | .. | .. | .. | 30 |
| „ „ Chimneys, Firegrates and Ovens | .. | .. | .. | .. | 47 |
| „ „ Windows and Doors | .. | .. | .. | .. | 12 |
| „ „ Floors | .. | .. | .. | .. | 26 |
| „ „ Staircases | .. | .. | .. | .. | 14 |
| „ „ Yard Surfaces | .. | .. | .. | .. | 12 |
| „ „ and improvements to House Drains | .. | .. | .. | .. | 62 |
| „ „ Coalhouses and Wash houses | .. | .. | .. | .. | 2 |
| Damp conditions remedied | .. | .. | .. | .. | 15 |
| Dirty and verminous houses cleaned | .. | .. | .. | .. | 2 |

Water Supplies.

| | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|----|----|----|----|---|
| Insufficient supplies improved | .. | .. | .. | .. | 3 |
| Burst pipes and taps repaired | .. | .. | .. | .. | 2 |
| Internal supplies provided | .. | .. | .. | .. | 3 |

Sanitary Conveniences.

| | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|----|----|----|----|----|
| W.C.'s and Yard Gullies cleansed | .. | .. | .. | .. | 16 |
| Pan Closets and Ashpits abolished | .. | .. | .. | .. | 16 |
| New Water Closets provided | .. | .. | .. | .. | 29 |
| Dust Bins provided and renewed | .. | .. | .. | .. | 0 |

Drainage.

| | | | | |
|--|----|----|----|-----|
| Obstructed drains and sewers cleaned | .. | .. | .. | 272 |
| New sinks provided | .. | .. | .. | 23 |
| Systems improved | .. | .. | .. | 29 |
| Cesspools and Septic Tanks emptied—Council | .. | | 60 | |
| Private | .. | | 45 | |
| | | | — | 105 |
| Water Courses cleaned | .. | .. | .. | 14 |
| New Septic Tanks | .. | .. | .. | 22 |

Shops and Food Premises.

| | | | | |
|---|----|----|----|---|
| New Food Preparation Apparatus | .. | .. | .. | 3 |
| Walls, Floors, Ceilings, Cleansed and Decorated | .. | | .. | 1 |
| Towels provided | .. | .. | .. | 0 |
| Hot Water | .. | .. | .. | 0 |

Factories.

| | | | | | | |
|---|----|----|----|----|----|---|
| W.C.'s repaired | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 0 |
| Wall, Floors and Ceilings of Sanitary Compartments repaired cleansed and painted | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 3 |
| Walls, Floors and Ceilings of Sanitary Compartments cleansed only | | | | | | 1 |
| New Lighting (to closets) | .. | .. | .. | .. | | 0 |

General.

| | | | |
|--|----|----|-------|
| Nuisances caused by keeping Animals abated | .. | .. | 3 |
| | | | <hr/> |
| TOTAL | .. | | 824 |

FACTORIES ACT, 1961.

PART 1 OF THE ACT.

1. INSPECTIONS for purposes of provision as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors).

| Premises (1) | Number on Register (2) | Number of | | |
|--|---------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------|
| | | Inspections (3) | Written notices (4) | Occupiers prosecuted (5) |
| (i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities .. | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| (ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority .. | 24 | 15 | Nil | Nil |
| (iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority excluding out-workers' premises | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| TOTAL .. | 24 | 15 | Nil | Nil |

2. CASES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE FOUND.

(if defects are discovered at the premises on two, three or more separate occasions they should be reckoned as two, three or more "cases").

| Particulars (1) | Number of cases in which defects were found | | | | Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted (6) |
|---|---|---------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| | Found (2) | Remedied (3) | Referred | | |
| | | | To H.M. Inspector (4) | By H.M. Inspector (5) | |
| Want of cleanliness (S.1.) | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Overcrowding (S.2) .. | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Unreasonable temperature (S.3) .. | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Inadequate ventilation (S.4) .. | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6) .. | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Sanitary Conveniences (S.7) .. | | | | | |
| (a) insufficient .. | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| (b) Unsuitable or defective .. | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| (c) Not separate for sexes .. | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork) | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| TOTAL .. | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |

Outworkers.

There are two outworkers within the District.

Factories with power.

Year 1968.

| | | | | |
|------------------|----|----|----|-------|
| Ainderby Steeple | .. | .. | .. | 2 |
| Borrowby | .. | .. | .. | 1 |
| Brompton | .. | .. | .. | 2 |
| Deighton | .. | .. | .. | 1 |
| East Cowton | .. | .. | .. | 3 |
| Hutton Bonville | .. | .. | .. | 1 |
| Great Smeaton | .. | .. | .. | 1 |
| Morton-on-Swale | .. | .. | .. | 1 |
| Osmotherley | .. | .. | .. | 3 |
| Romanby | .. | .. | .. | 9 |
| | | | | <hr/> |
| | | | | 24 |
| | | | | <hr/> |

Trades.

| | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|----|----|----|-------|
| Builders | .. | .. | .. | 14 |
| Bakers | .. | .. | .. | 3 |
| Motor Repair Shops | .. | .. | .. | 12 |
| Blacksmiths | .. | .. | .. | 2 |
| Milk and Milk Products Manufacturers | | | .. | 1 |
| Cold Stores | .. | .. | .. | 1 |
| Sawmills | .. | .. | .. | 3 |
| Millers | .. | .. | .. | 2 |
| Sand and Gravel | .. | .. | .. | 2 |
| Saddlers | .. | .. | .. | 1 |
| Joiners | .. | .. | .. | 9 |
| Vehicle Dismantlers | .. | .. | .. | 1 |
| Cattle Marts | .. | .. | .. | 1 |
| Vegetable Pre-packer | .. | .. | .. | 1 |
| | | | | <hr/> |
| | | | | 53 |
| | | | | <hr/> |

The Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963.

Hereunder is reproduced details of the annual report to be submitted under Section 60 of the Act.

TABLE A
REGISTRATIONS AND GENERAL INSPECTIONS

| Class of premises | Number of premises newly registered during the year | Total number of registered premises at end of year | Number of registered premises receiving a general inspection during the year |
|--|---|--|--|
| Offices | — | 7 | 3 |
| Retail shops | — | 13 | 7 |
| Wholesale shops, warehouses .. | — | 3 | 1 |
| Catering establishments open to the public, canteens | — | 7 | 5 |
| Fuel storage depots | — | — | — |
| TOTALS .. | — | 30 | 16 |

TABLE B
NUMBER OF VISITS OF ALL KINDS BY INSPECTORS TO
REGISTERED PREMISES

27

TABLE C
ANALYSIS OF PERSONS EMPLOYED IN REGISTERED PREMISES BY WORKPLACE

| Class of workplace (1) | Number of persons employed (2) |
|--|-----------------------------------|
| Offices | 43 |
| Retail shops | 27 |
| Wholesale departments, warehouses .. | 20 |
| Catering establishments open to the public | 10 |
| Canteens | 1 |
| Fuel storage depots | — |
| Total | 101 |
| Total Males .. | 56 |
| Total Females .. | 45 |

TABLE D—EXEMPTIONS

| Class of premises (1) | No. of exemptions current at 31st Dec. (2) | No. of exemptions granted or extended during year (3) | No. of applica- tions refused or exemptions withdrawn during year (4) | No. of cases in cols. (3) and (4) where employees opposed application (5) | Appeals to Court against refusal to grant or extend an exemption or against the withdrawal of an exemption | |
|--|--|--|--|---|---|--------------------|
| | | | | | No. made (6) | No. allowed (7) |
| Part III—Sanitary Conveniences (Sec. 9) | | | | | | |
| Offices Retail shops Wholesale shops, warehouses Catering establishments open to public, canteens Fuel storage depots | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Part IV—Washing Facilities (Sec. 10) | | | | | | |
| Offices Retail shops Wholesale shops, warehouses Catering establishments open to public, canteens Fuel storage depots | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |

TABLE E

PROSECUTIONS—Prosecutions instituted of which the hearing was completed
in the year

| Section of Act or title of Regulation or Order | No. of persons or companies prosecuted | No. of informations laid | No. of informations leading to a conviction |
|--|---|--------------------------------|---|
| | Nil | | |

No. of complaints (or summary applications) made under section 22—Nil

No. of interim orders granted—Nil

TABLE F

INSPECTORS

No of inspectors appointed under Section 52 (1) or (5) of the Act—3

No. of other staff employed for most of their time on work in
connection with the Act Nil

Housing and New Buildings

The Building Regulations which came into force in February 1966 have involved the staff in a greatly increased work load regarding the detailed examination of plans and, of course, the volume of private development continues to increase with the essential and associated co-operation of your officers.

684 visits were made to or in respect of new buildings and buildings under construction.

The table below gives details of houses under construction and completed since 1945 in their respective Parishes :—

BY PRIVATE ENTERPRISE.

| Parish | Completed 1945 to December 1968 | Completed during 1968 | Under Construction at end of 1968 |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Ainderby Steeple .. | 9 | — | — |
| Appleton Wiske .. | 5 | 2 | 4 |
| Birkby | 4 | — | — |
| Brompton | 121 | 24 | — |
| Borrowby | 13 | 2 | — |
| Cotcliffe | 2 | — | — |
| Crosby | 1 | — | — |
| Danby Wiske | 2 | 1 | — |
| Deighton | 9 | 1 | — |
| Ellerbeck | 1 | — | — |
| East Harlsey | 3 | — | — |
| East Cowton | 20 | 8 | 12 |
| South Cowton | 5 | — | — |
| Hornby | 3 | — | — |
| Hutton Bonville | 9 | — | — |
| Great Langton | 4 | — | — |
| Little Langton | 1 | — | — |
| Great Smeaton | 8 | 1 | — |
| Kirby Sigston | 6 | 1 | — |
| Lazenby | 3 | — | — |
| Leake | 2 | — | — |
| Osmotherley | 20 | 1 | 1 |
| Over Silton | 1 | — | — |
| Nether Silton | 1 | — | 1 |
| Morton-on-Swale | 17 | 1 | 1 |
| Romanby | 618 | 112 | 53 |
| Thornton-le-Beans | 14 | 5 | 11 |
| Thrintoft | 3 | — | — |
| Warlaby | 4 | — | — |
| Welbury | 7 | — | 8 |
| West Harlsey | 3 | — | — |
| West Rounton | 11 | 2 | — |
| Whitwell | 2 | — | — |
| Winton | 1 | — | 1 |
| | 933 | 161 | 92 |

BY NORTHALLERTON RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

| Parish | Total number of Council Houses December, 1968 | Completed during 1968 | Under Construction at end of 1968 |
|----------------------|--|-----------------------------|---|
| Ainderby Steeple .. | 4 | — | — |
| Appleton Wiske .. | 38 | — | — |
| Borrowby | 14 | — | — |
| Brompton | 139 | — | — |
| Danby Wiske | 8 | — | — |
| Deighton | 2 | — | — |
| East Cowton | 11 | — | — |
| East Harlsey | 2 | — | — |
| Ellerbeck | 4 | — | — |
| Great Langton .. | 4 | — | — |
| Great Smeaton .. | 6 | — | — |
| Hornby | 2 | — | — |
| Kirby Sigston .. | 2 | — | — |
| Morton-on-Swale .. | 6 | — | — |
| Nether Silton | 2 | — | — |
| Osmotherley | 41 | — | — |
| Romanby | 204 | — | 13 |
| Thornton-le-Beans .. | 2 | — | — |
| Thrintoft | 8 | — | — |
| Welbury | 2 | — | — |
| Yafforth | 4 | — | — |
| | 505 | — | 13 |

PLANS ANALYSIS. PLANS. 329 Plans were considered during the year. Details are shown in the table.

| Parish | Layout | New Buildings | Alterations to Dwellings | Garages Sheds Greenhouses Caravans etc. | Miscellaneous | Agricultural Buildings | Bathrooms & W.C.'s etc. | Total |
|-------------------------|--------|---------------|--------------------------|---|---------------|------------------------|-------------------------|-------|
| Ainderby Steeple | — | — | 1 | — | 2 | — | 1 | 4 |
| Appleton Wiske | 4 | 4 | 2 | — | — | 2 | — | 12 |
| Birkby | 2 | — | — | — | — | — | — | 2 |
| Borrowby | 1 | — | 2 | 3 | — | — | 1 | 7 |
| Brompton | 8 | — | 7 | 14 | 4 | 1 | 5 | 39 |
| Cotcliffe | — | — | 1 | — | — | — | — | 1 |
| Cowton, East | 10 | 6 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 27 |
| Danby Wiske | — | — | 2 | 1 | 3 | 2 | — | 8 |
| Deighton | — | — | 2 | 1 | 1 | — | — | 4 |
| Harlsey, East | 2 | — | 3 | — | 2 | 2 | — | 9 |
| Harlsey, West | — | — | — | — | — | 1 | — | 1 |
| Hornby | — | — | 3 | — | 1 | 3 | — | 7 |
| Hutton Bonville | — | — | — | 2 | 3 | 1 | — | 6 |
| Kiplin | 1 | — | — | — | — | — | — | 1 |
| Kirby Sigston | — | 2 | — | — | — | 1 | — | 3 |
| Morton-upon-Swale | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | — | 2 | — | 10 |
| Osmotherley | 5 | — | 2 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 14 |
| Romanby | 8 | 17 | 6 | 49 | 10 | 1 | — | 91 |
| Rounton, West | 1 | — | 3 | 3 | 1 | 2 | — | 10 |
| Smeaton, Great | 1 | — | 1 | 1 | 2 | — | 1 | 6 |
| Silton, Nether | — | — | — | — | 1 | — | 1 | 2 |
| Silton, Over | 1 | — | 1 | — | 1 | — | — | 3 |
| Sowerby-under-Cotcliffe | — | — | — | 1 | — | — | — | 1 |
| Thrintoft | 2 | — | — | — | — | 1 | — | 3 |
| Thimbleby | — | — | 1 | — | 1 | — | — | 2 |
| Thornton-le-Beans | 3 | 14 | 7 | 2 | 1 | — | 1 | 28 |
| Warlaby | — | — | 1 | — | 1 | 1 | — | 3 |
| Welbury | 3 | 7 | 5 | — | 3 | — | — | 18 |
| Winton | 1 | 1 | — | — | — | — | — | 2 |
| Yafforth | 1 | — | 2 | — | 2 | — | — | 5 |
| TOTAL | 55 | 52 | 58 | 83 | 42 | 22 | 17 | 329 |

HOUSING ACTS.**Houses in Clearance Areas and Unfit Houses elsewhere.****A. Houses Demolished.**

| | Houses Demolished | Displaced during quarter | |
|---|----------------------|-----------------------------|----------|
| | | Persons | Families |
| In Clearance Areas | | | |
| (1) Houses unfit for human habitation | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| (2) Houses included by reason of bad arrangements, etc. .. | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| (3) Houses on land acquired under Section 43 (2) Housing Act, 1957 | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Not in Clearance Areas | | | |
| (4) As a result of formal or informal procedure under Section 17 (1) Housing Act, 1957 .. | 6 | Nil | Nil |
| (5) Local Authority owned houses certified unfit by the Medical Officer of Health | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| (6) Houses unfit for human habitation where action has been taken under local Acts .. | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| (7) Unfit houses included in Unfitness Orders | Nil | Nil | Nil |

B. Unfit Houses Closed.

| | Unfit Houses closed | Displaced during year | |
|--|------------------------|--------------------------|----------|
| | | Persons | Families |
| (8) Under Section 16 (4), 17 (1) and 35 (1) Housing Act, 1957 .. and Section 26 housing Act 1961 | 4 | 13 | 4 |
| (9) Under Sections 17 (3) and 26, Housing Act, 1957 | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| (10) Parts of buildings closed under Section 18, Housing Act, 1957 | Nil | Nil | Nil |

C. Unfit Houses made fit and houses in which defects were remedied.

| | By Owner | By Local Authority |
|---|-------------|-----------------------|
| (11) After informal action by local authority | 30 | Nil |
| (12) After formal notice under | | |
| (a) Public Health Acts .. | Nil | Nil |
| (b) Section 9 and 16 Housing Acts, 1957 | Nil | Nil |
| (13) Under Section 24, Housing Act, 1957 | Nil | Nil |

D. Unfit Houses in Temporary use (Housing Act, 1957).

| | Number of Houses (1) | Number of separate dwellings contained in column (1) (2) |
|---|----------------------------|---|
| Position at end of quarter | | |
| (14) Retained for temporary accommodation | | |
| (a) under Section 48 .. | Nil | Nil |
| (b) under Section 17 (2) .. | Nil | Nil |
| (c) under Section 46 .. | Nil | Nil |
| (15) Licensed for temporary occupation under Section 34 or 53 | Nil | Nil |

E. Purchase of Houses by Agreement.

| | Number of Houses (1) | Number of occupants of houses in column (1) (2) |
|---|----------------------------|--|
| (16) Houses in Clearance Areas other than those included in confirmed Clearance Orders or Compulsory Purchase Orders purchased in the year .. | Nil | Nil |

Housing Acts. Improvement Grants.

During the year, 21 'Discretionary' grants were approved amounting to an estimated value of £7,067 and 20 'Standard' grants amounting to an estimated value of £2,580. Three-quarters of the money spent on these grants is made available by the Treasury and the remaining quarter out of the local Rate Fund.

The Council are to be congratulated on their enthusiasm and support in grant-aiding house improvements and it is interesting to note that over the past 14 years some 494 Discretionary Grants to the total value of £131,364 and 210 Standard Grants to the total value of £22,345 have been made. Bearing in mind that these figures represent half of the cost of improvements, over £305,000 worth of improvements have been carried out excluding the cost of necessary and incidental repairs.

Houses improved represent approx 24% of the total houses in the area at the year 1955, when the Council started making grants. 90% of the houses in the area now have the basic amenities, i.e. baths, W.C.s, etc.

Streams and Watercourses.

Streams have been cleansed at Morton-on-Swale, Thrintoft, East Cowton, Thornton-le-Beans, Welbury, Hornby and Great Langton.

As mentioned in previous reports, there is a continuing incidence of pollution of streams throughout the area and no marked improvement can be expected until sewage disposal schemes have been provided for 11 villages. The waste from farms, both in and out of the villages, play a large part in polluting conditions as such wastes are stronger than sewage from humans.

Part of the village of Morton on Swale is subject to flooding conditions during heavy rains and it is considered that the risk of these conditions obtaining can only be diminished or alleviated by works of improvement to the watercourse which is under the control of the Upper Swale Drainage Board.

Consultations are taking place with the Drainage Board in an endeavour to improve matters.

Part of the village of East Cowton is affected by flooding from time to time.

Rodent Control.

In exercise of their responsibilities under the Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949, the Council employ a full-time operator.

Dwelling houses may receive a free service for the eradication of rats and mice, but not farms and business premises. The services of the operator are available to farmers, etc., on either a contract or casual basis.

During 1968, 12 months contracts were secured in respect of 61 farms. The total value of the contracts was £466 12s. 0d. The highest contract was £19, and the lowest £3 : the average contract figure being £7 13s. 0d.

Casual treatments were carried out at 4 premises involving $9\frac{3}{4}$ hours at a total recoverable cost of £7 6s. 3d.

The following table shows particulars of work carried out :—

**Report to Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food for 12 months
ended 31st December, 1968.**

| | Type of Property | | | | |
|---|--------------------------------|--|---|--|--------------------------|
| | Non-Agricultural | | | | (5) Agricul- tural |
| | (1) Local Auth- ority | (2) Dwelling Houses (inc. Council Houses) | (3) All other (inc. Business Premises) | (4) Total of Cols. 1, 2 and 3 | |
| I. Number of properties in Local Authority's District .. (See Notes 1 and 2 overleaf) | 12 | 2,964 | 119 | 3,095 | 619 |
| II. Total number of properties inspected as a result of notification (See Note 3) | 1 | 127 | 2 | 130 | 15 |
| Number of such properties found to be infested by— | | | | | |
| Common rat { Major .. | 1 | 7 | — | 8 | 2 |
| { Minor .. | 1 | 30 | 2 | 33 | 11 |
| Ship rat { Major .. | — | — | — | — | — |
| { Minor .. | — | — | — | — | — |
| House mouse { Major .. | — | — | — | — | 4 |
| (See Note 4) { Minor .. | — | 22 | 4 | 26 | 2 |
| III. Total number of properties inspected in the course of survey under the Act .. | 12 | 188 | 39 | 239 | 88 |
| Number of such properties found to be infested by— | | | | | |
| Common rat { Major .. | 3 | — | — | 3 | 3 |
| { Minor .. | 5 | 31 | 2 | 38 | 145 |
| Ship rat { Major .. | — | — | — | — | — |
| { Minor .. | — | — | — | — | — |
| House mouse { Major .. | — | — | — | — | 6 |
| { Minor .. | — | 41 | 2 | 43 | 15 |
| IV. Total number of properties otherwise inspected (<i>e.g.</i> when visited primarily for some other purpose) .. | — | 15 | — | — | — |
| Number of such properties found to be infested by— | | | | | |
| Common rat { Major .. | — | — | — | — | — |
| { Minor .. | — | — | — | — | — |
| Ship rat { Major .. | — | — | — | — | — |
| { Minor .. | — | — | — | — | — |
| House mouse { Major .. | — | — | — | — | — |
| { Minor .. | — | — | — | — | — |

| | Type of Property | | | | |
|---|--------------------------------|--|---|--|--------------------------|
| | Non-Agricultural | | | | (5) Agricul- tural |
| | (1) Local Auth- ority | (2) Dwelling Houses (inc. Council Houses) | (3) All other (inc. Business Premises) | (4) Total of Cols. 1, 2 and 3 | |
| V. Total inspections carried out including re-inspections (To be completed only if figures are readily available) .. | 32 | 315 | 29 | 376 | 435 |
| VI. Number of infested properties (in Section II, III & IV) treated by the L.A. .. | 11 | 80 | 11 | 102 | 315 |
| VII. Total treatment carried out including re-treatment (To be completed only if figures are readily available) (See Note 3) .. | 32 | 240 | 30 | 302 | 645 |
| VIII. Number of notices served under Section 4 of the Act .. | | | | | |
| (a) Treatment .. | — | — | — | — | — |
| (b) Structural Work .. (i.e. Proofing) | — | — | — | — | — |
| IX. Number of cases in which default action was taken following the issue of a notice under Section 4 of the Act .. | — | — | — | — | — |
| X. Legal Proceedings (See XI below) .. | — | — | — | — | — |
| XI. Number of "Block" control schemes carried out .. | — | — | — | — | — |
| XII. Where legal proceedings have been instituted by the Local Authority brief particulars should be given here:— NIL | | | | | |
| XIII. Any other points of interest:— NIL | | | | | |

Water Supplies.

Piped water is supplied throughout the area by the Northallerton and The Dales Water Board. The water is pressure-filtered, chlorinated, and is of a high degree of purity.

1. (a) Throughout the year the water supply for the area was satisfactory both in quality and in quantity.
- (b) Any contamination of the supply was dealt with by extra chlorination and flushing of the mains.

(c) The following Table shows details of houses supplied with water throughout the area :—

| Parish | Total Domestic Properties | Houses supplied by | | Private piped supply in houses or metered Cottage—Estimated (3) | Population | |
|----------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|-----------|---|------------|------------|
| | | R.V. (1) | Meter (2) | | Direct | Stand Pipe |
| Ainderby Steeple .. | 85 | 78 | 6 | — | 247 | — |
| Appleton Wiske .. | 130 | 96 | 26 | 5 | 330 | — |
| Birkby .. | 16 | 6 | 6 | 1 | 48 | — |
| Borrowby .. | 124 | 93 | 24 | 4 | 305 | — |
| Brompton .. | 663 | 604 | 57 | — | 1,697 | — |
| Cotcliffe .. | 2 | — | — | — | — | — |
| Crosby .. | 7 | — | 5 | — | 14 | — |
| Cowton, East .. | 131 | 96 | 24 | 3 | 384 | — |
| Cowton, South .. | 49 | 26 | 12 | 4 | 125 | — |
| Danby Wiske .. | 73 | 41 | 23 | 1 | 230 | — |
| Deighton .. | 32 | 14 | 16 | 1 | 108 | — |
| Ellerbeck .. | 17 | 10 | 7 | — | 54 | — |
| Harlsey, East .. | 88 | 58 | 16 | 11 | 237 | — |
| Harlsey, West .. | 17 | 6 | 17 | 2 | 60 | — |
| Hornby .. | 58 | 32 | 21 | 2 | 176 | — |
| Hutton Bonville .. | 27 | 10 | 10 | 2 | 130 | — |
| Kiplin .. | 25 | 16 | 5 | 2 | 66 | — |
| Kirby Sigston .. | 26 | 11 | 10 | — | 39 | — |
| Langton, Great .. | 28 | 22 | 5 | — | 70 | — |
| Langton, Little .. | 21 | 6 | 2 | 9 | 72 | — |
| Landmoth-cum-Catto .. | 6 | — | 4 | — | 12 | — |
| Lazenby .. | 15 | 9 | 3 | — | 42 | — |
| Leake .. | 2 | — | — | 1 | 7 | — |
| Morton-on-Swale .. | 82 | 66 | 9 | 4 | 243 | — |
| Otterington, North .. | 14 | 3 | 3 | 8 | 38 | — |
| Osmotherley .. | 284 | 263 | 12 | 7 | 583 | — |
| Romanby .. | 1,191 | 1,156 | 35 | — | 2,753 | — |
| Rounton, West .. | 56 | 37 | 16 | 3 | 162 | — |
| Smeaton, Great .. | 60 | 45 | 8 | 3 | 176 | — |
| Smeaton, Little .. | 16 | 4 | 9 | 2 | 54 | — |
| Silton, Nether .. | 39 | 26 | 2 | 7 | 159 | — |
| Silton, Over .. | 14 | 7 | 3 | 3 | 37 | — |
| Sowerby-under-Cotcliffe .. | 14 | 3 | 9 | 2 | 45 | — |
| Thrintoft .. | 34 | 24 | 8 | 1 | 106 | — |
| Thimbleby .. | 24 | 11 | 8 | 2 | 28 | — |
| Thornton-le-Beans .. | 63 | 33 | 13 | 9 | 184 | — |
| Warlaby .. | 14 | 9 | 3 | — | 36 | — |
| Welbury .. | 64 | 36 | 22 | 3 | 179 | — |
| Whitwell .. | 11 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 37 | — |
| Winton .. | 16 | 3 | 11 | 1 | 47 | — |
| Yafforth .. | 45 | 28 | 11 | 3 | 102 | — |
| | 3,683 | 2,990 | 473 | 111 | 9,422 | — |
| | | 473 | | | | |
| | | 111 | | | | |
| | | 3,574 | | | | |

(d) The fluoride content of the water is not known.

2. (a) The Board's Officers submitted 161 samples for bacteriological examination during the year, 21 samples had readings and 12 samples were taken of Raw Water. In addition, your own officers took 2 samples during the year of which 1 proved satisfactory and 1 proved unsatisfactory.

2 chemical analyses were made during the year and both proved satisfactory.

- (b) The raw water is liable to have Plumbo-solvent action, but lime treatment is applied at the Osmotherley plant.

Refuse Collection and Disposal.

The Council operate 2 refuse collection vehicles *i.e.* S.D. Fore and Aft Tipper 16/18 cubic yards capacity with diesel engine and Karrier Side Loader 12 cubic yard capacity with diesel engine. A weekly collection of bins and pans is made in every village throughout the area. All refuse is tipped at the Council's central tip in Yafforth Road. Bulk fuel is purchased by the Council with resultant economy.

The following Tables show particulars of the service during the year—

Refuse Collection.

S. & D. FORE AND AFT. (6 MAN CREW).

| Parish | Emptied | | |
|--------------------|---------|-------|--------------------------------------|
| | Bins | Pans | |
| Appleton Wiske .. | 3,674 | 126 | Total hours worked by crew 11,050 |
| Birkby .. | 24 | — | |
| Brompton .. | 20,555 | 45 | |
| Cowton, East .. | 3,575 | 515 | |
| Danby Wiske .. | 1,846 | 207 | |
| Deighton .. | 1,225 | 96 | Total number of loads 690 |
| Ellerbeek .. | 30 | 6 | |
| Harlsey, East .. | 3,265 | 458 | |
| Hornby .. | 1,430 | 179 | |
| Hutton Bonville .. | 1,352 | 18 | |
| Osmotherley .. | 16,996 | 142 | Total mileage 8,400 |
| Romanby .. | 40,790 | — | |
| Rounton, West .. | 1,618 | 345 | |
| Smeaton, Great .. | 3,765 | 130 | |
| Welbury .. | 3,124 | 291 | |
| Yafforth .. | 986 | 55 | |
| | 104,255 | 2,613 | |

KARRIER C. K. 3. (3 MAN CREW).

| Parish | Emptied | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------|-------|---------|--------------------------------------|
| | Bins | Pans | Ashpits | |
| Ainderby Steeple .. | 4,394 | 1,024 | 20 | Total hours worked by crew 11,165 |
| Appleton Wiske .. | 5 | 5 | 10 | |
| Borrowby .. | 5,100 | 1,740 | 4 | |
| Brompton .. | 6,600 | 9 | — | |
| Crosby .. | 690 | — | — | |
| Cowton, East .. | 181 | 30 | 26 | |
| Cowton, South .. | 1,675 | — | 2 | |
| Danby Wiske .. | 1,747 | 211 | 4 | |
| Harlsey, West .. | 276 | — | — | |
| Hornby .. | 8 | 7 | 10 | |
| Kiplin .. | 885 | 3 | — | Total number of loads 626 |
| Kirby Sigston .. | 570 | 31 | — | |
| Langton, Great .. | 2,215 | 263 | — | |
| Landmoth-cum-Catto .. | 2 | — | — | |
| Morton-upon-Swale .. | 4,590 | 1,031 | 7 | |
| Otterington, North .. | 551 | — | — | Total mileage 8,124 |
| Romanby .. | 28,445 | 8 | — | |
| Rounton, West .. | 5 | 3 | 8 | |
| Smeaton, Great .. | 12 | — | 12 | |
| Silton, Nether .. | 1,430 | 295 | — | |
| Silton, Over .. | 1,100 | 217 | — | |
| Sowerby-under- Cotcliffe .. | 845 | — | — | |
| Thrintoft .. | 1,500 | 241 | 2 | |
| Thimbleby .. | 310 | 75 | — | |
| Thornton-le-Beans .. | 1,685 | 255 | — | |
| Warlaby .. | 770 | — | — | |
| Whitwell .. | 460 | — | — | |
| Yafforth .. | 670 | 103 | — | |
| | 66,721 | 5,551 | 105 | |

The service continues to operate reasonably well, but members will appreciate that, with the population expanding, the organisation must be kept under constant review.

Recruitment of labour for this service is becoming increasingly difficult and one is led to the conclusion that apart from any consideration of "job appeal", the financial rewards are perhaps inferior to those obtained elsewhere.

The existing method of refuse disposal which might, at best, be described as semi-controlled tipping continues to engage the attention of your officers. A climate of opinion seems to be moving to the idea that installations of incineration and pulverisation or a combination of both will be the ultimate solution but it is fairly clear that such a solution in areas like this or a

combination of such areas, can only be a very expensive one having regard to plant costs related to population ratio and extraordinary transport distances involving "double loading" or in other words load transference.

Food Hygiene (General) Regulations 1960.

The following is a list of food premises in the District :—

| | | | |
|-----------------------------|----|----|----|
| General Provisions | .. | .. | 29 |
| Confectioners | .. | .. | 4 |
| Butchers | .. | .. | 6 |
| Bakers | .. | .. | 3 |
| Greengrocers | .. | .. | 1 |
| Cafes | .. | .. | 4 |
| Fried Fish Shops | .. | .. | 2 |
| Dried Milk Factory | .. | .. | 1 |
| Cold Store | .. | .. | 1 |
| Vegetable Pre-packing Plant | | .. | 1 |
| | | | — |
| | | | 52 |
| | | | — |

Premises registered for the sale of ice cream :—

| | | | |
|--------------------|----|----|----|
| General Provisions | .. | .. | 17 |
| Confectioners | .. | .. | 4 |
| Cafes | .. | .. | 3 |
| | | | — |
| | | | 24 |
| | | | — |

All the above premises comply with Regulation 16 (Provision of wash basin and H. & C. water supply).

All the above premises with the exception of 3 confectioners and the cold store, which are exempt, comply with Section 19 (Provision for washing food and equipment).

There are no ice cream manufacturers in the area.

30 inspections were made and conditions generally were found to be good. 3 informal notices were served and complied with by the proprietors.

There are 33 inns or public houses within the area and the majority of these have now been brought up to the necessary standard.

There are no poultry processing premises in the District.

Slaughterhouse and Meat Inspections.

There are 2 private slaughterhouses situate at :—

Morton-on-Swale
Great Smeaton

In accordance with the Meat Regulations 1963 the Council levy Meat Inspection charges as follows :—

2/6d. per beast.
9d. per pig.
6d. per sheep.

**Carcases and Offal inspected and condemned in whole or in part
of Year ending 1968.**

| | Cattle excluding Cows | Cows | Calves | Sheep and Lambs | Pigs | Horses |
|--|-----------------------------|------|--------|-----------------------|--------|--------|
| Number Killed .. | 390 | Nil | Nil | 1,218 | 350 | Nil |
| Number inspected .. | 390 | Nil | Nil | 1,218 | 350 | Nil |
| All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci | | | | | | |
| Whole carcase con- demned .. | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Carcases of which some part or organ was con- demned .. | 26 | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Percentage of the num- ber inspected affected with disease other than tuberculosis and cysticerci .. | 6.33% | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Tuberculosis only | | | | | | |
| Whole carcasses con- demned .. | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Carcase of which some part or organ was con- demned .. | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | 2 | Nil |
| Percentages of the num- ber inspected affected with tuberculosis .. | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | 0.571% | Nil |
| Cysticerci | | | | | | |
| Carcase of which some part or organ was con- demned .. | 1 | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Carcases submitted to treatment by refri- geration .. | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Generalised and totally condemned .. | 1 | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |

The total weight of meat and offal condemned was 6 cwt. 11 lbs. In addition 27 tins of food (mainly corned beef) were condemned—principally at the Cold Store, Romanby—the total weight being 166 lbs. 12 ozs.

All condemned meat is stained and removed to the premises of approved firms for rendering and the recovery of non edible fats and oils.

A 100% meat inspection service is carried out by your officers and the slaughter-houses are maintained very satisfactorily.

Drainage and Sewage.

Schemes of sewage and sewage disposal are urgently required for the undermentioned Parishes. Outline schemes have been prepared and steps are being taken to acquire land.

Borrowby
 Danby Wiske
 Deighton
 Harlsey, East
 Hornby
 Langton, Great
 Rounton, West
 Smeaton, Great
 Silton, Over
 Thimbleby
 Thornton-le-Beans
 Welbury
 Yafforth

The Council possess a 1,000 gal. cesspool emptying vehicle and settling tanks in the villages are cleaned out twice yearly or, in some cases, more frequently if circumstances warrant. In addition, private septic tanks are cleaned out on request and for which a charge is made. During the year, 45 private tanks received attention involving 69 working hours. The sum recovered was £103 2s. 6d. 30 village settling tanks were cleaned on two occasions during the year.

The cesspool emptying vehicle has proved to be of great value not only for cesspool emptying but also for de-sludging tanks at the sewage works.

Work is expected to start in the very near future on schemes for Borrowby Great Smeaton and the extension scheme of the Romanby—Brompton sewerage.

The latter scheme is of some urgency owing to the continuing building developements taking place, particularly in Romanby.

Your officers experience some difficulty in drawing up proposals for village sewerage and sewage disposal schemes as, in the absence of detailed planning proposals for the villages, population growth is not easy to assess.

Closet Conversions.

During the year, the following water closets were provided by way or conversions :—

| Parish | | | No. |
|-------------------|----|----|-----|
| Ainderby Steeple | .. | .. | 2 |
| Appleton Wiske | .. | .. | 2 |
| Borrowby | .. | .. | 1 |
| Brompton | .. | .. | 1 |
| Cotcliffe | .. | .. | 1 |
| Deighton | .. | .. | 1 |
| East Cowton | .. | .. | 3 |
| East Harlsey | .. | .. | 3 |
| Great Smeaton | .. | .. | 1 |
| Morton-upon-Swale | .. | .. | 5 |
| Nether Siltan | .. | .. | 1 |
| North Otterington | .. | .. | 1 |
| Osmotherley | .. | .. | 1 |
| Thornton-le-Beans | .. | .. | 3 |
| Welbury | .. | .. | 1 |
| West Harlsey | .. | .. | 1 |
| West Rounton | .. | .. | 1 |
| | | | — |
| | | | 29 |
| | | | — |

Swimming Baths and Pools.

There are none within the rural area to which the public have access. There are two private swimming pools : 1 at Osmotherley and 1 at Great Smeaton.

In conclusion, I should like to express my appreciation of the support which is given to me by members of the Council and my fellow Officials ; also to acknowledge the loyal service of the outside manual staff who carry out their duties conscientiously with the minimum of supervision.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

H. TEMPLEMAN.

J. WALKER
PRINTER
HIGH STREET
NORTHALLERTON

